

REMARKS

Figures 1A-1E as last filed have been replaced with replacement Figures 1A-1E in which extraneous language in the figure legend has been removed. Therefore, the amendments to Figures 1A-1E do not introduce new matter.

Figures 25D-I as last filed have been replaced with replacement Figures 25D-I in which a typographical error in the figure legend has been corrected. In Figures 25D-I as last filed, the word "ILIAC" was inadvertently spelled as "LLIAC." One of skill in the art would readily recognize this typographical error. The description of the corresponding experiment, i.e., Example 18, page 115, line 12 to page 117, line 6, clearly indicates that a rabbit hindlimb ischemia model was used in which a femoral artery is removed such that blood flow to the ischemic limb is dependent upon collateral vessels originating from the internal iliac artery. Therefore, the amendments to Figures 25D-I do not introduce new matter.

The specification has been amended to update the Brief Description of Figures 25A-25O to correspond to the Formal Drawings. No new matter is added by the amendments to the specification.

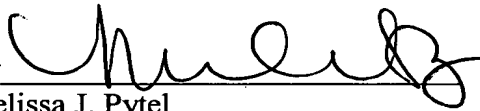
CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the amendments above be entered. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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Amendments to the Figures

Please replace Figures 1A-1E as last filed with the attached replacement Figures 1A-1E submitted herewith.

Please replace Figures 25D-25I as last with the attached replacement Figures 25D-25I submitted herewith.